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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant(s): K. KINO, et al.

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 12, 2005

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision dated March 11, 2005 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1 and 13.

The items checked below are appropriate:

[X] A timely response to the final rejection was filed on September 12, 2005.

[X] Fee \$500.00 [X] is enclosed [] not required (fee paid in prior appeal).

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of

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